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INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS

SUBJECT: LOS: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO SENEGALESE
FOREIGN MINISTER

FROM CHARGE FOR THE SECRETARY

REF: A STATE 213536, B STATE 214443

1. CHARGE ORALLY COMMUNICATED CONTENTS REFTEL (A) TO
ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCOIS BOB 1000 ZULU AUGUST 28
AND DELIVERED UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF SECRETARY'S MESSAGE
ADDRESSED TO FOREIGN MINISTER SECK TO FON MINISTRY DIRECTOR
POLITICAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS SALOUM KANDE AT 1400 ZULU
AUGUST 28. BOTH BOB AND KANDE EXPECTED FONMINISTER SECK
TO RETURN FROM PARIS ON AUGUST 30 AND AGREED TO HAND
SECRETARY'S LOS MESSAGE TO HIM IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS ARRIVAL.

2. WHEN CHARGE CALLED FONMINISTRY EARLY AUGUST 30 TO
MAKE APPOINTMENT FOR DELIVERING OFFICIAL
TRANSLATION OF SECRETARY'S MESSAGE (REF B) KANDE SAID GOS
HAD JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT FONMINISTER SECK'S RETURN TO
DAKAR HAS BEEN DELAYED "AT LEAST A DAY OR TWO" AND SECK
WILL BE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SENGHOR IN PARIS TOMORROW,
AUGUST 31. KANDE REQUESTED THAT USG TRANSMIT TEXT OF
REFTELS TO ITS EMBASSY IN PARIS AND ASK THAT SECRETARY'S
MESSAGE BE DELIVERED TO SENEGALESE EMBASSY THERE FOR
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FOREIGN MINISTER SECK.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY AGREES WITH KANDE'S JUDGMENT THAT COMMUNICATIONS PROBABLY MORE DEPENDABLE THROUGH USG CHANNEL PROPOSED. IN VIEW OF CHANGE IN PLANS FOR TRAVEL BY MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS ASSANE SECK (AS WELL AS UNCERTAINTY ABOUT DATE OF HIS RETURN TO SENEGAL) AND FON MINISTRY'S REQUEST THAT MESSAGE BE HANDLED THIS WAY, WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED EMBASSY PARIS TO DELIVER MESSAGE TO FONMINISTER AT SENEGALESE EMBASSY IN PARIS. OUR EMBASSY IN PARIS COULD INFORM FONMINISTER SECK THAT OFFICIAL TEXT OF SECRETARY'S LETTER ALSO HAS BEEN DELIVERED ALREADY TO FONMINISTRY IN DAKAR.

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